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to a condition of chaos in Georgia, to the inconvenience of thousands of people. But it must be evident that shoveling coal for an engine is entirely suitable work for a negro, and that, unless he is to be denied all rights, he has a full right to be protected in it. Georgia locomotives have long been stoked by colored firemen. These men have done the work efficlently, and there is no pretense that white engineers object to associating with them in this way. It is all a question of the pay envelope. Georgians who have thoughtlessly sided with the strikers on the appeal to race prejudice, would do well to consider the economic side of this question. It cannot fire locomotives, what work shall he be allowed to do? Would Georgia rather have her ne-groes occupied at hard physical work or loading around the street corners of

THE PRIMARY PLEDGE. It is agreeable to hear that the City Democratic Committee, at its meeting to-morrow night, intends to adopt a mild pledge for the municipal primary next month. Information now being circulated is to the effect that the provide revenues. form of this pledge will be as little drastic as possible, consisting, probably, of no more than the voter's af firmation that he is a Democrat. At any time a moderate pledge would be wise, inasmuch as party issues have little connection with the question sider themselves good Democrats.

The committee will also do the part forms have become superfluous.

If wisdom in definitely abandoning But we set these arguments down

to rise a new slogan for the American reason for a big American navy as any

THE PLATFORM AND THE SENTI-

When the House rejected a free lumber proposal not long ago much strong comment was provoked throughout the country upon the action of the Demo cratic Congressmen, whose votes made this rejection possible. The Democratic platform, as ordinary persons interpreted it, specifically declared for free jumber. Through the Middle West it has been stated over and over again. The party candidates won many votes alone. Their alignment in Congress was hence widely and naturally interpreted as a frank repudiation of their party platform. The Congressmen themselves had other explanations of their votes. The platform declaration, we were told, was meant only as a cheaper lumber, however differently the voters may have understood it. The House resolution called for free lum ber of certain grades only, which mean while it would not benefit the con- Republican. sumer. A tax on lumber was needed to

Now the Sengte has followed the House's example, and seventeen Democratic Senators have voted against, and of these Democrats were decisive, one way or the other. Some explanations are usual in votes of this sort, and of securing honest and efficient city like those of the Congressmen. The officials, and a full vote in a mu- explanation of one of them has gone micipal election is always desirable. At much further, Senator Bailey boldly this time such a pledge is particularly announces that he "utterly refuses to desirable, owing to the evident weak- be bound by" the Denver platform, ening of party ties and the growing "because it is not Democratic doctrine." independence of thought among num- If each Senator and Congressman is to bers of men who still call and con- determine for himself what Democratio doctrine is, it is manifest that plat

Mr. Corneling P. Shea doubtless regrets that various circumstances beyond his control prevent his taking any part in the excitement down in Georgia.

"A theatre in New York which is to be devoted to art for art's sake," says a contemporary, has been refused permission to have a bar. Yet one has

some Antonio of the cotton men's as-sociation spin us a yarn about a great mill to be crected in Richmond.

club was to be disbanded and discon-tinued when he went to Africa may now file their second thoughts with this office.

Senator McEnery, of Louisiana, de-clares that he is a protectionist, and we decline to feel surprised.

Grandchildren of the present gen-ration of sportsmen will doubtless en-loy seeing the championship go be-ween Johnson and Jeffries.

Certain office-holders, would-be and actual, have gradually reached the conclusion that the Tatt smile has a

Large, enveloping lids may be the fashion this summer, but Coney Island never cared much for fashions.

Times are dull, indeed, when the hief subject for table-talk is "the ong rainy season in May."

RAILROAD ACCIDENTS.

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reviewing these accident figures of the Interstate Commerce Commission, says:

"All things considered, the conclusion is unavoidable that the marked diminution in fatalities in railway accidents in 1908 was due almost entirely to the recession in freight traffic, which took the strain off of every department of the service and substituted orderly observance of rules by passengers and employes for their violation in the feverish rush of prosperity that culminated in October, 1907. Like conditions produced like results before and after the panic of 1892."

This is to be accepted as a sound deduction. It is an ill wind that blows no good. Our waves of industrial prosperity proceed to great and most unseconomical extremes. As they bring increased destruction to human life on the reliroads, so they bring waste of energy and great waste and destruction to property in proportion. It is a question whether we do not get on faster in substantial achievement in wealth production when times are called bad than when they are called booming. But, of course, these considerations should not be allowed to detract from the great importance of advancement in the application of hlock-signal exstems and other safety devices in railroad traffic.—Springfield Republican.

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Silli achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labor and to wait,

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And a soul as blue as bluing,
We're a pretty one to prate
"Let us then be up and doing!"

With a lot of bills accruing
At a must tremendous rate,
We can't do our C, Depewing*
With a heart for any fate,

Though the grind he what we hate, We must keep the kettle brewing, We must keep our delly date Still-nehleving; still, pursuing.

When the muse is not imbuing
Us with thoughts precisely great,
We must, in our ardent wooling,
Learn to labor—and to wait. This is where we abdicate;
This is where we cause our hewing;
This is where we pull our freight;
Where we ought to stop our siewins
Let us, then,

*A term used to denote jesting [Obs.]-F. P. A., in New York Evening Mail.

MERELY JOKING.

taking to: "Now, children, what more van peal: "Now, children, what more say?"
"Pleathe, thir," 'Heyed a small, weary youngster in the front row, "they 'amen' an' thit down,"—Chicago News.

Came Back,

Hostess (with asperity): "And pray wha, makes you think this is catish, Mr. Jones?"
Boarder: "Well, we've eaten the confounded thing eight times already, and we don't seem to have finished with it yet."—The Sketch.

One Comfort,

plained his wife,
"Nover mind, my dear," replied her husband, "Just the thing for the flower
beds."—Detroit Free Press.

I love my strawberries, but oh you water-nelon.—Atlanta Georgian,

reductions, but almost the sole cause. It was not due to a decling in railroad travel, because more passengers were carried in the later than the earlier year. It could not have been due largely to a more extended application of safety appliances, because the panic of safety appliances, because the panic brought railroad work in that and many other directions nearly to a standstill. The bureau of railway news and statistics at Chicago, after reviewing these accident figures of the Interstate Commerce Commission, says:

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OIL WELLS IN VIRGINIA.

Company Chartered to Develop Natural Resources in the Southwest.

The Corporation Commission of Virginia has just granted a charter to a company that has been organized for the purpose, among other things, of boring oil and gas wells in this section and selling the products of the same. This company is composed arincipally of gentlemen from Pennsylvania and New York, though some local business men are interested in it. It has been believed for years that there is oil in this part of Southwest Virginia, not many miles from Bristol. Traces of it have been discovered by prospectors for coal and iron ore and other minerals, but no serious effort has ever been made to locate it. Predictions have been made, however, that at some time in the future it would be found to exist in large quantities, and that wells would be bored and a new and important industry established in this section.

Southwest Virginia is rich in natural resources. It has coal and other minerals and timber in vast abundance. It has oil, too, it is just that much richer, and there is no soction of country anywhere that will compare with it.

Bristol is directly and deeply concerned in the report that oil wells will be bored in the territory of which she is the centre, the chief city and the natural market, and that the first experiments will be made nearby. The movements of the new company will be watched with interest not only, by the people of Bristol, but of Southwest Virginia and East Tennessed.—

Bristol Herald-Courier.

The Courts of Europe

By La Marquise de Fontenoy.

K ING EBWARD enjoys a justly deserved reputation for punctious courtesy. But he can be very fank in his speech at times, and not long ago intimated to the Shah

the viceroy having attempted to hold any chapter for the knighting of Lord Granard.

The refusal of the members of the order to respond to the viceroy's summons to a chapter would not have been in any way attributable to untriendliness to Lord Granard, but would have been due to their pronounced prejudice against Lord Pirle. The latter would, in his capacity as junior knight of the order, have been obliged to act as Lord Granard's sponsor, and would also, as comptroller of the vicerogail household, have been called upon to play one of the most important roles in the ceremony of the investiture. With the exception of Lord Castletown, practically all of the Knights of St. Patrick are Unionists. But what renders them particularly bitter against Lord Pirle is that the latter was formerly a member of their party, occupied a very important place in their councils, and as such was initiated into many of their secrets. His desertion to the enemy caused intense feeling. In fact, they have no word sufficiently strong to denounce what they describe as his gross treachery. It is because Lord Aberdeen appointed him to be comptroller of the vicerogal household that the court of Dublin is virtually boy-

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